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Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Mitchell, Nebraska.

Sincerely,



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In the matter of:)

Amendment of Section 73.202 (b))

Table of Allotments)

FM Broadcast Stations)

(Mitchell, Nebraska)

RM-_____

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 257A (99.3 Mhz) to Mitchell, Nebraska as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 257A (99.3 Mhz) to Mitchell and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 257A to Mitchell will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Mitchell is located in Northwest Nebraska. It is also located within Scottsbluff County, a county of some 36,025 persons. Mitchell has a population of 1,743 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 257A to Mitchell will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Mitchell is located at Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Scottsbluff is located 12 kilometers from Mitchell.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that Mitchell is presently without local FM service.

4. Mitchell would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 12 Kilometers of Mitchell. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Mitchell area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.

5. Channel 257A can be allotted to Mitchell and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Mitchell, Nebraska	-----	257A

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 257A and the pertinent adjacent channels to 257A have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 41 - 56' - 36", W. 103 - 48' - 30") are that of a site located within the community of Mitchell. No site restriction will be required to allot channel 257A to Mitchell. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Mitchell. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

7. It has been shown that Mitchell would benefit from the allotment of channel 257A. It has also been shown that channel 257A can be allotted to Mitchell and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 257A for Mitchell, Nebraska , 73.202.

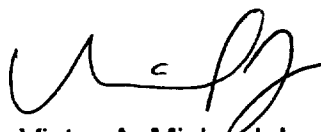
8. Should channel 257A be allotted to Mitchell, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Mitchell, Nebraska.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated: March 4, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'V. Michael Jr.', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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MAPFM search of channel 257A6 (99.3 MHz), at N. 41 56 36, W. 103 48 30.

Searching Channel 257A6 (99.3 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
NEW	Laramie	WY	203	A	A	154.2	10.0	242.9°	144.2
NEW	Laramie	WY	203	A	A	154.2	10.0	242.9°	144.2
K204CV	Scottsbluff	NE	204	D	C	12.7	0.0	91.7°	12.7
K204CU	Cheyenne	WY	204	D	C	115.7	0.0	221.2°	115.7
K204CU	Cheyenne	WY	204	D	L	121.4	0.0	222.5°	121.4
ALC	Sidney	NE	254	C1	U	98.7	75.0	148.7°	23.7
KSIDFM	Sidney	NE	254	C1	L	98.7	75.0	148.7°	23.7
ALC	Laramie	WY	254	A	V	163.8	31.0	244.6°	132.8
ALC	Windsor	CO	256	C1	U	186.8	133.0	209.4°	53.8
KUADFM	Windsor	CO	256	C1	L	167.4	133.0	210.4°	34.4
KUADFM	Windsor	CO	256	C1	C	167.4	133.0	210.3°	34.4
ALC	Burlington	CO	257	C1	U	320.6	200.0	156.0°	120.6
KRGD	Burlington	CO	257	C1	C	321.5	200.0	153.2°	121.5
KRGD	Burlington	CO	257	C1	A	322.0	200.0	156.0°	122.0
ALC	Douglas	WY	257	A	U	166.5	115.0	301.6°	51.5
ALC	Newcastle	WY	257	A	V	214.8	115.0	351.4°	99.8
KKTYFM	Douglas	WY	257	A	L	166.5	115.0	301.6°	51.5
NEW	Newcastle	WY	257	A	A	217.6	115.0	352.0°	102.6
NEW	Newcastle	WY	257	A	A	215.8	115.0	351.6°	100.8
NEW	Newcastle	WY	257	A	A	215.8	115.0	351.6°	100.8
ALC	Denver	CO	258	C	U	288.8	165.0	209.3°	123.8
KKHK	Denver	CO	258	C	L	273.7	165.0	206.1°	108.7
ALC	Chugwater	WY	258	A	V	86.9	72.0	256.4°	14.9
ALC	Chugwater	WY	258	A	V	86.9	72.0	256.4°	14.9
ALC	Ogallala	NE	259	C1	U	228.2	75.0	115.3°	153.2
KOGAFM	Ogallala	NE	259	C1	L	228.2	75.0	115.3°	153.2
ALC	Cheyenne	WY	260	C2	U	121.4	55.0	222.5°	66.4
KRRR	Cheyenne	WY	260	C2	C	121.4	55.0	222.5°	66.4
KRRR	Cheyenne	WY	260	A	C	121.4	31.0	222.5°	90.4
KRRR	Cheyenne	WY	260	C2	A	136.8	55.0	226.9°	81.8
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FIGURE 1
MITCHELL, NEBRASKA
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING